

RESOLUTION OF THE WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

(Approving Application for a Native American Graves Protection & Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) for FY 2011)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(a) and 1(s) of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, *inter alia*, the Tribal Council has the authority to represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe has offered consistent support for the conservation of cultural, historical, and archaeological sites and sacred objects according to Apache principles of respect, avoidance, and education; and

WHEREAS, the Native American Graves Protection & Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) allows for the repatriation of certain cultural items, cultural affiliated remains, objects of cultural affinity to be returned to the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the National Park Service (NPS) of the United States Department of Interior sponsors a grant program affecting repatriation under NAGPRA; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to prior resolutions, has authorized the Historic Preservation Office to apply for previous NAGPRA grants from NPS; and

WHEREAS, the Cultural Resource Director, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) and Cultural Advisory Board (CAB) provided their expertise bringing sacred objects, objects of cultural patrimony, and human remains from museums nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Office has successfully managed previous grants from NPS pertaining to NAGPRA grants to be in the best interest of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, after careful consideration and review, the Tribal Council finds the application for Fiscal Year 2011 NAGPRA grant to be in the best interest of the Tribe.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that:

- 1. The application for Fiscal Year 2011 NPS NAGPRA grant is hereby approved.
- 2. The White Mountain Apache Tribe hereby agrees to comply with all appropriate procedures, guidelines, and requirements established by the NPS as a part of the application process.

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- 3. The Tribal Council hereby certifies that the White Mountain Apache Tribe Historic Preservation Office will comply with all appropriate state and federal regulations, policies, guidelines, and requirements as they relate to the application.
- 4. In the event that grant funds are received, a budget for expenditures by the Historic Preservation Office is hereby authorized, subject to any applicable terms and conditions of the grant, and a review thereof by the Tribe's Legal Department.
- 5. The Tribe's Historic Preservation Office and Cultural Resource Director are herein appointed as agents of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to assist with conducting all negotiations, and submissions of all documents including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments, billing statements which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the THPO shall, in consultation with the Cultural Resource Director, develop and implement programs and procedures to facilitate the representation of the cultural interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe on and off reservation lands.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall govern.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>FEBRUARY 9, 2011</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>EIGHT</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (i), (k), (s), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

Ronnie Lupe, Chairman of the Tribal Council

Mariddie J. Craig) Secretary of the Tribal Council